



STRENGTHENING families PROGRAM

For Parents and Youth 10-14



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THE ESSENTIALS OF FATHER INVOLVEMENT

Date: June 5, 2006
Time: 8:30 a.m.- Noon
Place: Asnuntuck Community College, Café 2 (small cafeteria)
170 Elm St.
Enfield, CT 06082

Register: Phone: 860/253-5020 ext 139 * **Diana Thibodeau** * Email: Dthibodeau@chrhealth.org

This is a **Free Workshop** and is limited to **40 participants**

WORKSHOP DESCRIPTION

"The Essentials of Father Involvement" is a lively multi-medium Workshop Session designed to explore the challenges around increasing the participation of men in the lives of children. Through the use of music, photos, a video and interactive conversation we will address the value of men in the lives of children, and their unique impact on children's social, emotional and academic well-being. We will also examine a variety of strategies that will ensure the maximum participation of fathers and family men in school and/or community based fatherhood events and programs. Participants will leave the session with concrete ways to develop, market, facilitate and evaluate successful programs and events that will embrace and stimulate father involvement for the benefit children.

TRAINER

Doug Edwards, Program Director Real Dads Forever is a member of the Advisory Council of The Fatherhood Initiative of Connecticut, and a member of the Board of Directors of The Children's Law Center of Connecticut. He is also a Family Mediator with the Families in Transition Program. Doug has traveled throughout New England facilitating workshops, training staff, and motivating parents around father involvement. He has spoken with over 400 groups, and 2000 men, including dozens of school groups.